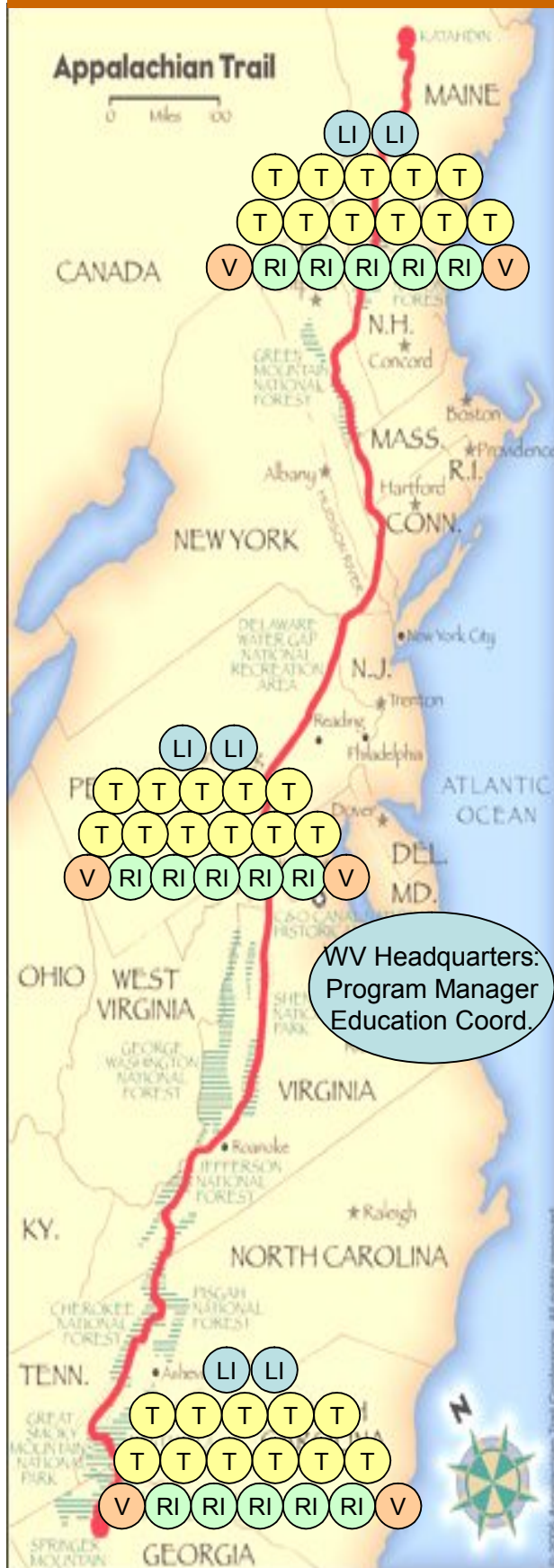


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Appalachian Trail Program Model

An Place- Based Education & Service- Learning Professional Development Program
Promoting Student Engagement in the protection of the Appalachian National Scenic Trail



• Annual Planning & Recruitment

Target locales are selected based on partner interest, facilities, in-kind and funding opportunities. Program Coordinator and Lead Instructors reserve facilities, plan workshop agendas and recruit participants.

• 1st Local Workshop

Introduce local teams of teachers to the Trail locally

• Summer Institute

Brings all participants together focusing on Place Based Education and Service-Learning, Curriculum Planning

• 2nd Local workshop

Focus on curriculum implementation and sustainability

• Curriculum Development

Teachers develop curriculum with a focus on the AT

• Grants

Grant opportunity for teachers who are committed to curriculum implementation

• Follow-up Activities

Advanced workshops for alumni

Key: LI Lead Instructor T Teacher
RI Resource Instructor V Volunteer

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2006 - Five-Day Pilot Summer Institute

40 Participants:

- 1 ATC Board Member
- 3 ATC Staff Members
- 2 Club Volunteers
 - Maine Appalachian Trail Club
 - Allentown Hiking Club
- 4 Community-Based Educators
 - Natural Resource Education Center, ME
 - Schuylkill River National Heritage Area, PA
 - Upper Valley Trails Alliance, VT
 - Wilderness Conservancy, VA
- 3 Harpers Ferry National Historical Park National Park Rangers
- 27 Classroom Teachers (Grades 3-12) from ME, NY, PA, WV, VA, NC, GA

Funding from
National Park
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Sponsor

Offered for 3 Graduate Credits through Shepherd University

Evaluation results from the Summer Institute and 2007 follow-up interviews of Cohort 1 can be found at www.peecworks.org

2007 Scaled Program – A Cumulative Workshop Series

2-Day Pre-Workshop – Introduction to the AT, Hike Leadership, LNT

5-Day Summer Institute – Place-Based Education, Service-Learning,
Curriculum Development

2-Day Post Workshop – Partnerships, Program Sustainability, Grant Writing,
Working with the Media

35 Participants:

- 1 ATC Staff Member
- 3 Club Volunteers & Staff
 - Appalachian Mountain Club
 - Maine Appalachian Trail Club
 - Nantahala Hiking Club
- 3 Community Based Educators
 - Natural Resource Education Center, ME
 - Charlotte White Center, ME
- 28 Classroom Teachers (Grades 3-12) from ME, PA, MD, VA, NC

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Support

Offered for 5 Graduate Credits through Shepherd University

Evaluation of Cohort 2 will take place in Spring, 2008